

## COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

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April 16, 2020

Mr. John A. Deardorff, FACHE Chief Executive Officer Reston Hospital Center 1850 Town Center Parkway Reston, Virginia 20190

## **RE: Reston Hospital Center**

Reston, Virginia
Temporarily add 138 beds at Reston Hospital Center in response to the COVID-19 crisis

## Dear Mr. Deardorff:

In accordance with Executive Order 52, I reviewed the request and all supporting documents submitted by Reston Hospital Center to temporarily add 138 beds, including 81 intensive care unit beds and 57 medical/surgical beds at Reston Hospital Center. I have considered the factors listed in my March 24, 2020, letter; and I have concluded that **approval** of the request is warranted based on the following findings:

- 1. Reston Hospital Center has demonstrated that, due to the reasonable expectation of a sudden and overwhelming increase in acute care patients resulting from COVID-19 infection, Reston Hospital Center has an immediate need to temporarily add 138 beds.
- 2. Reston Hospital Center's plan for training and shifting available staff is a reasonable solution for staffing the additional beds.
- 3. Reston Hospital Center's plan to expand bed capacity in existing hospital space assures patient safety is maintained from a fire and life safety code perspective.
- 4. The Health Systems Agency of Northern Virginia recommends approval of the request.

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In accordance with Executive Order 52, the 138 added beds are deemed to be licensed from the date an emailed notice is received by Robert Payne, Director of the Office of Licensure and Certification, that they are open. This authorization is valid for the period April 16, 2020, through 30 days after the expiration of or rescission of Executive Order 52, as it may be amended.

If you have any questions, please contact Robert Payne at (804) 367-2109, or <a href="Robert.Payne@VDH.Virginia.gov">Robert.Payne@VDH.Virginia.gov</a>. Thank you for your response to the community in this public health emergency.

Sincerely,

M. Norman Oliver, MD, MA State Health Commissioner

cc: Allyson Tysinger, Senior Assistant Attorney General, Commonwealth of Virginia Robert A. K. Payne, JD, Director, Office of Licensure and Certification Deborah K. Waite, Operations Manager, Virginia Health Information Gloria Addo-Ayensu, MD, MPH, District Director, Fairfax Health District

